

HW 11: PROBLEM #1; §5.1, #4, §5.2

1) CHEBYSHEV'S INEQUALITY

ASIDE: If \bar{X} is a random var. w/ mean μ & variance σ^2 ,
 $P(|\bar{X} - \mu| \geq c) \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{c^2}$, for all $c > 0$.

A statistician wants to estimate the mean height μ of a population, based on n independent samples $\bar{X}_1, \dots, \bar{X}_n$ chosen uniformly from the entire population.

$$M_n = (\bar{X}_1 + \dots + \bar{X}_n)/n \quad \& \quad 1.0 \sim \sigma$$

(a) How large should n be so that std. dev is at most 1cm?

$$\text{If } M_n = \frac{(\bar{X}_1 + \dots + \bar{X}_n)}{n}, \text{ then } \sigma_{M_n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\boxed{\sigma_{M_n} \leq 0.01, \text{ so AT most, } n \geq 10,000}$$

(b) How large should n be so Cheb's guarantees that the estimate is within 5cm from μ , w. prob. at least 0.99?

$$P(|M_n - \mu| \leq 0.05) \geq 0.99$$

$$\mu = E[M_n] \quad (\mu = E[X]) \checkmark$$

$$\sigma_{M_n}^2 = \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(|M_n - E[M_n]| \leq 0.05) = 1 - P(|M_n - E[M_n]| \geq 0.05)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{(\frac{1}{n})}{(0.05)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{(1/n)}{(0.05)^2} \geq 0.99 \Rightarrow 1 - 0.99 \geq \frac{(1/n)}{(0.05)^2}$$

$$(1 - 0.99)(0.05)^2 \geq \frac{1}{n} \Rightarrow n \geq \frac{1}{(1 - 0.99)(0.05)^2} = \boxed{40,000}$$

$$(c) \sigma^2 \leq (b - a)/4$$

$$\leq (2 - .4)^2/4 \Rightarrow \leq (0.6)^2/4, \sigma^2 \leq .09$$

$$\sigma_{M_n} = 0.3/\sqrt{n} \quad \& \quad \sigma_{M_n} \leq 0.01$$

$$\therefore \text{REVISED } \Rightarrow \boxed{n \geq 900}$$

$$1 - \frac{(0.09/n)}{(0.05)^2} \geq 0.99, \quad \frac{0.09/n}{(0.05)^2} \geq 0.99 - 1$$

$$n \geq \frac{0.09}{(1-0.99)(0.05)^2} = \boxed{3600}$$

4) WEAK LAW of LARGE NUMBERS (WLLN)

ASIDE: $P(|M_n - \mu| \geq \epsilon) = P\left(\left|\frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n} - \mu\right| \geq \epsilon\right) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$

$$M_n = S_n/n \quad P(|M_n - f| \geq \epsilon) \leq \delta$$

$$\delta = \frac{1}{4n\epsilon^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(|M_n - f| \geq \epsilon) \leq \frac{1}{4n\epsilon^2}$$

a) if half of its original (ϵ)

$$\Rightarrow P(|M_n - f| \geq \frac{\epsilon}{2}) \leq \frac{1}{4n\epsilon^2}$$

To keep bound ($\frac{1}{4n\epsilon^2}$) constant

n needs to be 4 times LARGER.

b) if half its original (δ)

$$\Rightarrow P(|M_n - f| \geq \epsilon) \leq \frac{1}{8n\epsilon^2}$$

\therefore The sample size would need to be DOUBLED.

$$\frac{1}{\frac{\epsilon}{2}} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \times \frac{1}{2}$$